

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

SWING INTO SPRING: A HARLEM TRIBUTE TO LIONEL HAMPTON

HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 7, 1996

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker and Members of this great body, It is said, "give me my flowers now while I am still around to enjoy them".

I rise to pay tribute once again to an individual who really needs no introduction * * * to one who certainly in his lifetime has made an impact on the world as a great American, an ambassador of goodwill, a musical genius, and without a doubt, a living legend. If you have not guessed by now, the person of whom I speak is none other than Lionel Hampton.

On Tuesday, March 19, I, as chairman of the board of the Apollo Theatre Foundation, Inc., and executive producers Grace Blake and Bill Titone, will present "Swing Into Spring"—A Harlem Tribute to Lionel Hampton.

This star-studded musical tribute marks an opportunity to celebrate the life and accomplishments of Lionel Hampton by his many friends, admirers, and those who have benefited from his work and musical greatness.

Whether you are familiar with his musical accomplishments or not, over the years, Lionel Hampton has known no status where he was not eagerly accepted, as he has been well received the world over by Presidents, politicians, kings, and queens. His very music has caused the walls of Communist nations to come tumbling down.

However, it is not only for his music that Lionel Hampton is well known for he is also a staunch leader in the community. His fame has not let him forget the homeless and the hopeless. A long supporter of public housing, he developed the Lionel Hampton Houses in the early 1970's and upon completion, built the Gladys Hampton Houses, named for his late wife. To this day, those projects are considered among the best in the Nation.

The Lionel Hampton Community Development Corp. has built more than 500 low and moderate income apartments in my congressional district of Harlem alone.

Lionel Hampton holds more than 15 honorary doctorates and received the gold medal of Paris, its highest cultural award, from its Mayor, Jacques Chirac. He was appointed to the Board of Trustees of the Kennedy Center in 1991 by President George Bush, and in December 1992, he was awarded a prestigious Kennedy Center honor for his lifetime career achievements as a musician and teacher. Since then, he continues to produce educational events and considers the real highlight of his career as having the music school at the University of Idaho named for him—the Lionel Hampton School of Jazz.

Whether you are black or white, rich or poor, Democrat or Republican, I am sure you would agree that Lionel Hampton represents the very best of America. It is in this instance

that March 19 will be proclaimed "Lionel Hampton Day" in New York City and New York State.

TRIBUTE TO REV. DR. GRANVILLE A. SEWARD

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 7, 1996

Mr. PAYNE of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I would like to bring to the attention of my colleagues a dedicated leader and servant of the people, Rev. Dr. Granville A. Seward. Rev. Dr. Seward is celebrating his 28th anniversary as pastor of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Newark, NJ.

Rev. Dr. Granville A. Seward was licensed to preach at the age of 17. He accepted the pastorate at the First Baptist Church of Rendville, OH, when he was 22. He is a graduate of Ohio State University. He received the master of divinity and doctor of divinity degrees from the Colgate Rochester Divinity School. Rev. Dr. Seward is a member of the board of trustees at the Colgate Rochester/Bexley Hall/Crozer Theological Seminary.

For many years Rev. Dr. Seward diligently prepared for his place in a changing society. His education and life experiences have been used to focus on the topic of his doctoral thesis, "The New Creation and the Emergence of a New Humanity." He has pragmatically looked at his church and our community and has developed programs that address the burgeoning needs of a diverse congregation and community. He has taken an active role in our community by serving as a member of the Newark Board of Education. He is also the dean of the Open Forum Baptist Ministers Conference of Newark and Vicinity.

Rev. Dr. Seward is the first pastor of Newark's Mt. Zion Baptist Church to ordain women deacons. He instituted prayer services at non-traditional times to better serve our population. He has developed feeding and clothing programs for the less fortunate. He implemented various types of ministries within Mt. Zion, where "every member is a minister" is emphasized.

Mr. Speaker, when we look at the shepherd who is tending his flock well, Rev. Dr. Granville A. Seward is among the chosen. I am sure my colleagues will join me as I extend my congratulations and best wishes to Rev. Dr. Seward, his wife, four children, and two grandchildren.

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 1505 OF THE HIGHER EDUCATION AMENDMENTS OF 1986

HON. WILLIAM F. GOODLING

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 7, 1996

Mr. GOODLING. Mr. Speaker, today, I, along with our colleague from Michigan, Mr. KILDEE, am introducing legislation to correct a board of trustees appointment problem for the Institute of American Indian Arts. This simple fix will help maintain the continuity of that board.

The Institute of American Indian Arts is a federally created institution of higher education. Its primary purposes are to provide scholarly study of and instruction in Indian art and culture, and to establish programs which culminate in the awarding of degrees in the various fields of Indian art and culture. The institute is authorized under title XV of the Higher Education Amendments of 1986, and policy for the institute is set by a board of trustees which includes 13 voting members appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the other body.

Unfortunately, the board appointment process has proven to be overly cumbersome and this has resulted in a number of board members serving additional terms, sometimes beyond the time they wished to serve, in order to ensure that the board could maintain a quorum.

The legislation we are introducing today would simply amend section 1505 of the Higher Education Amendments of 1986 to allow the board to recommend successors for board members whose terms are expiring and who do not wish to serve additional terms. The President would have the prerogative to act on these recommendations, or to appoint another qualified individual of his choosing subject to the confirmation of the other body.

However, should the President fail to act within 2 months of the expiration of the sitting member's term, and should that member not wish to serve an additional term, then the individual recommended for appointment by the board would be automatically seated.

This legislation makes a simple correction to the institute's board appointment process. It was requested of us by the interim president of the institute, who is concerned that without this fix the board may not be able to maintain a quorum and the institute might suffer.

This legislation is bipartisan and revenue neutral. It does not limit the options of the President in making appointments to the board, but merely streamlines the appointment process for this one institute.

This is common sense legislation, and I urge its support.

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IN SUPPORT OF H.R. 2778

HON. JERRY F. COSTELLO

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 7, 1996

Mr. COSTELLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 2778, providing for relief for members of the Armed Forces currently serving on peacekeeping missions in Bosnia.

This bill will provide benefits to those peacekeeping troops currently in Bosnia as part of Operation Joint Endeavor. For these military personnel, there should be no penalty for delays or tax on pay related to their service overseas.

Specifically, the troops would receive an extension for filing income tax returns without penalty, exclusion of combat pay for taxation, forgiveness of income tax, and a reduction in estate taxes for those who die or are injured during the mission.

In addition, military personnel in the combat zone also would be able to make long distance phone calls without being subject to the 3 percent excise tax. Tax benefits would be retroactive to December 4, 1995, and in effect until substantial U.S. involvement in the peacekeeping mission came to an end.

Mr. Speaker, it is important that Congress try to alleviate as much of the burden as possible on our troops in Bosnia, and this small step will help those families trying to make ends meet while their loved ones are keeping the peace overseas. I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this important legislation.

INTRODUCTION OF AMENDMENT TO THE HIGHER EDUCATION ACT OF 1965

HON. CHARLIE NORWOOD

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 7, 1996

Mr. NORWOOD. Mr. Speaker, this legislation would allow five historically black graduate schools to continue to compete for Federal grant funds under section 326 of title III of the Higher Education Act. Morehouse School of Medicine, Meharry Medical College, Clark-Atlanta University, Charles R. Drew Postgraduate Medical School, and Tuskegee University School of Medicine are all in danger of becoming ineligible for grant funds. These funds support the purchase of laboratory equipment, improvements to classrooms, libraries and laboratories, faculty development, and academic instruction. It is important that this Congress reaffirm its commitment to high quality graduate level education for young African-Americans in this country. This amendment allows us to continue that tradition.

Historically black graduate schools train half of this country's African-American physicians, pharmacists, and dentists, as well as three quarters of all African-American veterinarians. For the most part, these individuals practice in poor urban and rural areas, where they serve large portions of disadvantaged Americans. These schools and individuals are providing a valuable service to this country by meeting one of the major challenges currently facing our health care system. They deserve our appreciation and our support whenever possible.

This piece of legislation will continue these schools' grant eligibility, without any fiscal implications for the Federal Government. Passage of this legislation allows these fine graduate institutions to continue to provide top quality education and training to their students.

The other 11 historically black graduate programs have no opposition to the continued eligibility of these 5 schools, and the decision to fund this particular section remains in the hands of the Appropriations Committee. There is no reason to restrict access to these funds.

TRIBUTE TO DANIEL J. CADY

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 7, 1996

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I stand before you today to ask that you and my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives join me in paying tribute to Mr. Daniel J. Cady of my hometown Flint, MI.

Mr. Cady is being honored today by his many family members and friends for 36 years of service to the Flint Community School District. Mr. Cady began his career with the Flint Community Schools in 1960, and has held numerous positions to include Community School director; coordinator instructor—Associate Community School Director Program; director of the Mott Program leadership training; consultant for staff development and leadership training; coordinator for staff development and leadership training; and director of Community Education Programs and Services; a position which he held until his retirement on January 31, 1996.

Mr. Cady's dedication to his profession has been much more than just doing a job. Over the 36 years that he has worked in the field of community education his leadership has been an inspiration for others at the local level, and also the State and national levels where he served as the president of both the Michigan Association of Community and Adult Education and the National Community Education Association. Additionally, he traveled throughout the United States assisting others as they learned the power of involving the people of their community in both education and Government.

During the 1930's, Charles Stewart Mott and Frank Manley began this program of opening school buildings to the community, and from there the formation of the community education concept. Over the years there have been a number of different individuals who have been leaders in this movement; Dan Cady is one who has carried on the responsibility of those before him by serving as a role model for many. Mr. Cady now is moving on to a new challenge as the director of the National Center for Community Education. I know he will provide the same dedication and commitment to his new position as he has to all previous.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and all my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in congratulating Daniel J. Cady on his retirement from 36 years with the Flint Community Schools and also wish him well in his new position as director of the National Center for Community Education.

HAPPY 50TH ANNIVERSARY TO
MR. AND MRS. ELBERT
TEFFERTILLER

HON. GLENN POSHARD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 7, 1996

Mr. POSHARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate an occasion that is becoming an extremely rare event. Elbert "Bert" Teffertiller and his wife Alice will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on March 12. It is with great respect and admiration that I offer them my congratulations on reaching this glorious milestone.

The Teffertiller's were married shortly after Bert returned from over 3 years of service in the Army during World War II. The couple settle in McLeansboro in 1947 and have resided in Hamilton County ever since. They raise their two children there, and have since been blessed with five grandchildren. In and of itself, 50 years in the institution of marriage is a remarkable achievement. The commitment to spouse and family is truly momentous, and this kind of devotion often means there is less time for outside activities. This is certainly not the case with the Teffertillers.

Since they opened their first clothing store in McLeansboro the year of their marriage, Bert and Alice have gradually expanded their businesses to include shoes, furniture, cars, and homes, all the while helping to improve the local economy. Their devotion to their customers is legendary in the region, as they are known for their fantastic promotions featuring carnival rides, beauty queens, and television stars, refreshments, and a fair and honest deal. In 49 years of proprietorship, the Teffertillers have never forced payment, which speaks to another kind of commitment, to their community. Bert has served on numerous boards and associations, including as president of the McLeansboro Merchant's Association and president of the Hamilton County Chamber of Commerce. Also, both the Teffertillers are active members of their church.

Mr. Speaker, Bert Teffertiller has said he has tried to give back to the community more than he received, and it seems this family has accomplished that worthy goal. Their dedicated service to each other, to their family, and to their fellow citizens has set a tremendous example for the entire Nation. I wish them many more happy years of marriage, and it is my great pleasure to represent them in the U.S. Congress.

TRIBUTE TO HISPANAS ORGA- NIZED FOR POLITICAL EQUITY (HOPE)

HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 7, 1996

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Mr. Speaker, on Friday, March 8, 1996, Hispanas Organized for Political Equity [Hope] Education and Leadership Fund's Fifth Annual Symposium is taking place in California's 33d Congressional District in honor of the past and future accomplishments of Latinas.